The Honorable Michael K. Powell Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am a long time customer of EchoStar (DISH Network) and support the merger with Direct TV. I urge my elected representatives and government employees to support my desire to see the merger. The Starband internet is especially beneficial. My sister teaches at a rural school with Solar Power and Starband, where there are no utilities/phone lines in Iowa Hill, CA. Please cut the red tape and allow the merger, it will benefit all of us.

Sincerely,

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